Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, in the "Cross Reference Section", after "Serial No. 08/249,376 filed May 25,

1994 ," please insert -- now abandoned, for which a Petition

to Revive was filed on June 28, 1996, --

Page 1,   line 14,   please delete [pending];

after "1994," please insert --abandoned,--;

line 15,   please delete [pending];

line 16,   after "1994," please insert --abandoned,--;

Page 4,   line 11,   please delete [ployploid] and insert -- polyploid--;

Page 11,   lines 31-32   after "three α-subunits" please insert -- of --;

after "IL-3Rα", please insert -- , IL-5R --;

Page 15,   line 8,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

Page 15,   line 17,   after "ligand." please insert --The mpl ligand comprises amino

acid residues 1-X of FIG. 1 (SEQ ID NO 6) where X is selected

from 153, 164, 191, 205, 207, 217, 229, 245 or 332.--

Page 16,   line 31,   please delete [boundries] and insert --boundaries--;

Page 18,   line 27,   please delete [**Fig. 12.** shows] and insert --**Figs. 12A-**

12C show--;

Page 19,   line 6,   please delete [-Separose] and insert -- -Sepharose--;

line 7,   please delete [equilabrated] and insert --equilibrated--;

line 32,   please delete [deleations] and insert --deletions--;

Page 20,   line 9,   please delete [alingment] and insert --alignment--;

Page 32,   line 10,   please delete [demonstratable] and insert

--demonstrable--;

line 15,   please delete [possesse] and insert --possess--;

line 24,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

line 25,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

line 26,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

line 26,   please delete [biolocically] and insert --biologically--;

Page 34,   line 2,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

line 3,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

line 5,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

line 7,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

line 9,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

line 10,   please delete [prefered] and insert --preferred--;

line 11,   please delete [diferent] and insert --different--;

line 12,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

line 17,   please delete (inhanced) and insert --enhanced--;

Page 35,   line 19,   please delete [protien] and insert --protein--;

line 25   please delete [seive] and insert --sieve--;

line 32   please delete [Publisrers] and insert --Publishers--;

Page 38,   line 12   please delete [futher] and insert --further--;

Page 39,   (Table)   please delete [Acitivity] and insert --Activity--;

Page 40,   line 13,   please delete [Futhermore] and insert --Furthermore--;

Page 43,   line 25,   after "deletion", please delete "a" and insert --at--;

line 29,   please delete [Altough] and insert --Although--;

Page 43,   line 33,   please delete [the116] and insert --the 116--;

Page 44,   line 1,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

Page 46,   line 29,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

Page 47,   line 23,   please delete [resudues] and insert --residues--;

Page 57,   line 24,   please delete [overlayed] and insert --overlaid--;

Page 86,   line 34,   please delete [precipated] and insert --precipitated--;

Page 89,   line 2,   please delete [preformed] and insert --performed--;

Page 91,   line 33,   please delete [sugesting] and insert --suggesting--;

Page 92,   line 5,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

Page 94,   line 3,   please delete [descibed] and insert --described--'

line 14,   please delete [refered] and insert --referred--;

Page 96,   line 1,   please delete [indepedent] and insert --independent--;

Page 96,   line 8,   please delete [petide] and insert --peptide--;

Page 100,   line 17,   please delete [Optoinally] and insert --Optionally--;